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**National Highway
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NVS-215
06V-082

Subject: AIR FILTER ELEMENT MATERIAL

Dear MR. VANDERMOLLEN:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

JAYCO/EAGLE/2003-2005
JAYCO/ESCAPADE/2003-2005
JAYCO/GRANITE RIDGE/2003-2005
JAYCO/GREYHAWK/2003-2005
STARCRAFT/AMBIENT/2003-2005

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06V-082

Mfg's Report Date: March 20, 2006

Components: ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,107

Summary:

ON CERTAIN MOTOR HOMES BUILT ON FORD E-SERIES CHASSIS, THE AIR FILTER ELEMENT MATERIAL PROCESS RESULTED IN AN AIR FILTER PAPER ELEMENT THAT CAN SMOLDER OR BURN. THIS CHANGE IN FILTER PAPER COMPOSITION, COMBINED WITH THE CONFIGURATION OF THE AIR INDUCTION SYSTEM, MAY ALLOW HOT CARBON PARTICLES TO CONTACT THE AIR FILTER ELEMENT DURING CERTAIN DRIVING CONDITIONS THAT CREATE HOT PARTICLES.

Consequence:

THESE HOT PARTICLES MAY IGNITE THE AIR FILTER ELEMENT WITH THE POTENTIAL FOR AIR INDUCTION SYSTEM DAMAGE OR UNDER HOOD FIRE.

Remedy:

FORD MOTOR COMPANY IS CONDUCTING THE OWNER NOTIFICATION AND REMEDY FOR THIS CAMPAIGN. DEALERS WILL INSPECT AND REPLACE THE AIR FILTER ELEMENT. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT FORD AT 1-800-392-3673 OR JAYCO AT 1-800-283-8267.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

As stated in your report, Ford will be handling the owner notification, remedy, and quarterly reporting for this campaign. However, please be advised that 49 CFR 573.5 provides that the vehicle manufacturer is responsible for any safety related defect or any noncompliance in the vehicle or any item of original equipment. If Ford's campaign is not satisfactory, you may be required to conduct a follow-up notification.

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov or delia.lopez@NHTSA.dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

Patricia Wallace

for George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement